

VA Announces Funds for Per Diem Only Grant Renewals

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is announcing the availability of funds for currently operational VA Per Diem Only Recipients (projects that were originally awarded in 2002, 2003 and 2004 that are currently providing services and receiving per diem payments as of May 15, 2005) to make reapplication for assistance for their existing project number under the Per Diem Only Grant Component of VA's Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem (GPD) Program.

The focus of this Notice of Funds Availability (NOFA) is to provide previous recipients that have demonstrated performance in the delivery of services to the homeless veteran population an opportunity to seek re-application. The VA expects to award \$38 million under this NOFA.

An original request for re-application letter, on agency letterhead, for assistance under the VA's Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program must be received in the Grant and Per Diem Field Office by **4 p.m. Eastern Time on October 5, 2005**. Requests for re-application may not be sent by facsimile (FAX). In the interest of fairness to all competing applicants, this deadline is firm as to date and hour, and VA will treat as ineligible for consideration any request for re-application that is received after the deadline.

An application package is not needed for this NOFA. Applicants submitting a letter requesting re-application on their agency's letterhead agree to VA using their previously awarded Per Diem Only application for scoring purposes. To view the complete NOFA, published in the June 6, 2005, Federal Register, go to: <http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2005/05-11182.htm>. Applicants are encouraged to read the entire NOFA carefully before submitting their applications.

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